

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A method of joining a hairpiece to a lock of hair to provide a hair extension, ~~which method comprises bonding said hairpiece to said lock using an adhesive that is curable by exposure to electromagnetic radiation~~ said method comprising the steps of:

bringing together adjacent regions of the hairpiece and the lock of hair in contact with an adhesive curable by exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation, wherein said adhesive has been pre-applied to the adjacent region of the hairpiece, and

exposing said adhesive to UV radiation to cure said adhesive to thereby bond the hairpiece to the lock of hair.

2-3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The method according to claim 1, which further includes the step of clamping said adjacent regions of said hairpiece and said lock of hair in a tool, and then exposing said adhesive to electromagnetic said UV radiation to cure [[it]] said adhesive.

5. (currently amended) [[A]] The method according to claim 1, wherein said adhesive is cured using a process which does not require a significant input of thermal energy.

6. (canceled)

7. (currently amended) A tool for the attachment of a hairpiece to a lock of hair using an adhesive curable by exposure to ~~electromagnetic~~ UV radiation, said tool comprising clamp means for clamping together in use, in abutting or overlapping fashion adjacent end regions of the lock of hair and the hairpiece, and means for directing ~~electromagnetic~~ UV radiation at said abutting or overlapping ~~region~~ adjacent end regions.

8. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool according to Claim 7, ~~when~~ wherein said tool includes two jaw members mounted for relative ~~hingeing~~ hinging movement.

9. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool according to Claim 8, wherein at least one ~~of the facing surfaces~~ surface of the two jaw members includes a groove or a profiled guide region for isolating [[a]] said lock of hair.

10. (currently amended) [[A]] The tool according to Claim 8, including a switch for actuating a source of ~~electromagnetic~~ UV radiation, said switch being disposed to be closed when said jaw members are hinged towards each other.

11. (currently amended) A hairpiece having an amount of electromagnetically UV curable adhesive material provided on a bonding region thereof, at an end region of said hairpiece.

12. (currently amended) A kit comprising at least one said hairpiece as claimed in Claim 11, in combination with ~~[[a]]~~ the tool ~~as claimed in~~ of Claim 7.

13-14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The tool according to Claim 9, including a switch for actuating a source of ~~electromagnetic~~ UV radiation, said switch being disposed to be closed when said jaw members are hinged towards each other.